

REMARKS

In this response to the election requirements requirement set forth in the Official Action mailed March 9, 2004, Applicant has amended Claims 1 and 2, and added new Claims 4-9. Claims 1 and 2 are amended in response to the election requirement and it specifies the present invention. Claims 4-9 are added to specify the embodiments of the present invention. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been introduced by the amended and added claims. All claims are now present for examination in view of the accompanying remarks.

Election of Species Requirement

Pursuant to the requirement for election of species, Applicant elects the compound of the glycoprotein covered by Claim 4 for further examination **without traverse**. The claims readable on the elected species are Claims 4, 5 and 6. Claim 1 is generic claim.

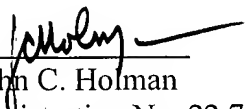
It is believed that upon the allowance of the generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of the allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141.

An action on the merits of all of the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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